# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2534
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DRUG TESTING LABORATORIES
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether recognition of private laboratories of Indian System of Medicine is in progress;

(b) if so, the status of progress thereof;

(c) whether any monitoring mechanism has been evolved for checking these private laboratories; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a) & (b) : A provision has been made in the Drugs & Cosmetics Rules, 1945 for the recognition of Private Drug Testing Laboratories/Institutions for carrying out test on Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani drugs and raw materials used.A copy of Notification has been issued to State Drug Licensing Authorities, Associations of Ayurvedic, Siddha and Unani systems of medicine for necessary action.

(c) & (d) : There is a provision of joint inspection by the representatives of the Government of India, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Department of ISM&H and State Licensing Authorities to verify the infrastructure etc. as per the provisions of the rules before approving the Laboratory. Provisions for grant of licence and renewal thereof also take into account capacity of the laboratory to do the work competently.